

NSC BRIEFING

22 June 1960

POSSIBLE NEW SOVIET MISSILE FIRINGS TO MID PACIFIC

- I. A new series of Soviet missile firings into the Pacific appears to be forthcoming.
 - A. The USSR may use the same mid-Pacific impact area, near Johnston Island, which it used in January. In this event, instrumentation ships now in motion could reach the area this weekend, and the shots could begin shortly thereafter.
 1. However, there is no evidence they will use this area, and the shots could begin at any time.
 - B. There is as yet no evidence to indicate the purpose of the expected shots.

II.



(Note: At average rate maintained thus far, Sibirs could be there by 27 June; if they increased this, by 25 June.)

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